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### TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "B" AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "B" for entry in the above-identified application.

X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

\_\_\_\_ To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:

\_\_\_\_ Letter to the Official Draftsperson;

\_\_\_\_ Set of \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) sheets of drawings containing Figures \_\_\_\_\_ including the proposed amendments therein; and

\_\_\_\_ A duplicate set of the \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) sheets of drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.

X To render the transmitted Amendment "B" timely filed enclosed are the following:

X Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time; and

X Request for Continued Examination

X Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$205.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time; and \$375.00 to cover the fee for the Request for Continued Examination.

X A Certificate of Deposit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

\_\_\_\_ No other additional fee is required.

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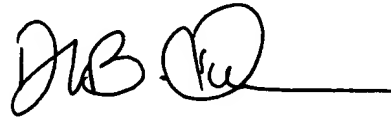
X Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

X A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Dated this 29th day of April, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that the following documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the 29th day of April, 2003.

- Transmittal Letter (3 pgs.) (in duplicate)
- Amendment "B" (14 pgs.)
- Request for Continued Examination (1 pg.)
- Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time (2 pgs.)
- Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 submitting payment in the amount of \$649.00 (\$375.00 for R.C.E., \$205.00 for Two-Month Extension of Time, and \$69.00 for additional claims)
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